

John Stanwix to George Washington, June 22, 1757, two same date, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.

FROM COLONEL JOHN STANWIX.

CAMP NEAR CARLISLE June 22d 1757 two O Clock —

SIR

I wrote you a letter this morning about 6 O'Clock since which I have the Favour of your's of the 20th. with the Excommunication¹ of the French Officer your Prisoner for which I [am] extreemly obliged to you, shall only add to what I say'd in the morning that I highly approve of the Council of War you held and think your Fort Loudoun the properest place to make a Stand for which reason it was there I intend'd to joyn you with six hundr men, had Fort Cumberland been taken which by the notion I have of the place is in no sort tenable against such an attack as we were made to believe was in agitation against it, I confess my self a very great stranger to Indian affairs yet can not help thinking but that these Cherokees are well worth encouragmt. I am made to believe that Fort Augusta is to be attack'd but should think these works in some forwardness, must leave to a little time to discover to us what the Enemy realy intend to do, this province will maintain a French Army well, but where they can have Armys for all places I can't divine, beg you will believe that I am with great truth

Dr Sir Your most obedt. humble Servt JOHN STANWIX

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1 The result of the official examination of the prisoner, forwarded to Colonel Stanwix by Washington.